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DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated to his Ministry during its initial first year of creation and the current financial year (2016-17);
(b) whether the Ministry has accorded priority to specific sectors or prepared any strategy to achieve the desired targets;
(c) if so, the details thereof; and
(d) the sectors in which the Ministry has achieved a remarkable success as on date, Sector-wise?

Answer

The Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region
[Dr. Jitendra Singh]
(a) The funds allocated to the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region during its initial first year of creation i.e. 2004-05 and the current financial year 2016-17 is as follows:
BE 2004-05 - Rs. 1194.70 crore
BE 2016-17(including allocation under Social & Infrastructure Development Fund) −
Rs. 2600.01 crore
(b) & (c) Yes, Madam, the Ministry's own activities are built around key focus areas of livelihood & entrepreneurship & bridging infrastructure gaps on the basis of priority of the concerned State Governments. The key elements of strategy through its programmes and inter-ministerial co-ordination include showcasing potential of the region particularly in horticulture, handicraft and handloom, tourism and organic produce value chains.
(d) Through its schemes and initiatives, the Ministry has contributed in bridging critical gaps in infrastructure and connectivity mainly through roads & bridges (including ropeways), State level administrative infrastructure and power and transmission distribution network projects prioritized by State Governments.